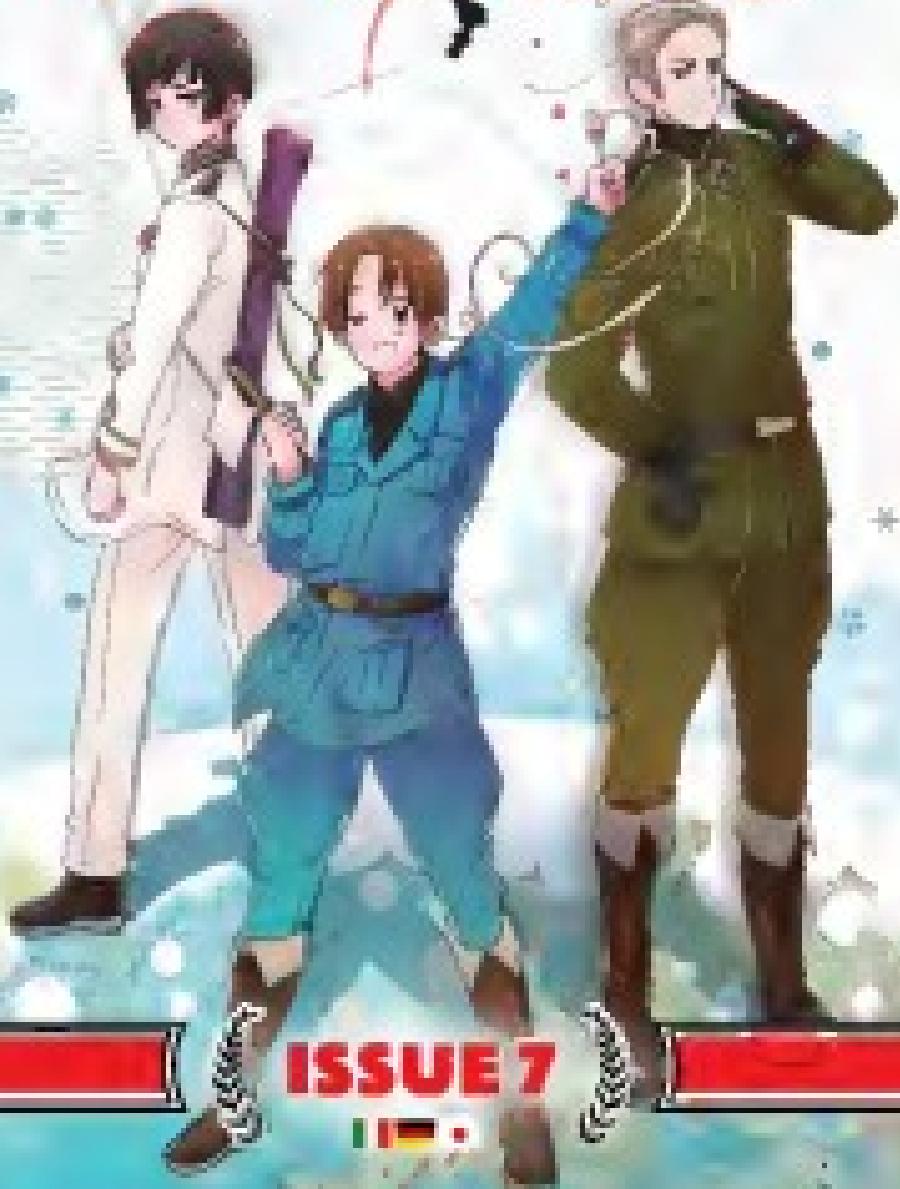


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In this world...

It's **heaven** when:

The French are chefs  
The British are police  
The Germans are engineers  
The Swiss are bankers  
And the Italians are lovers



It's **hell** when:

The English are chefs  
The Germans are police  
The French are engineers  
The Swiss are lovers  
And the Italians are bankers



# Christmas at METALIA Academy

Let's discuss this month's cover story for the World W Academy newspaper.

The theme is "Christmas around the world," got it?



Indeed. This is perfect.



Va bene! Get it!

Dammit Japan, speak up! Don't be so polite!



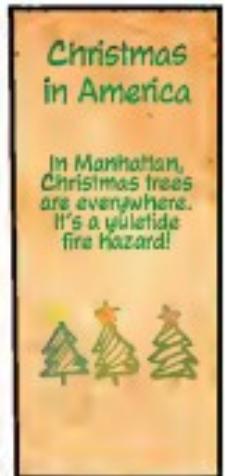
Christmas is really popular here! Let's have fun!



Oh, uh, I...



Of course, we give presents to the people we love, too. What about you, Japan?







In France, Santa Claus is called Père Noël.





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This is  
Italy



Veh!

Mama~ ^



# AMERICA

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# WORLD MAP



ASIA



# EUROPE



# METALIA AND HIS MERRY FRIENDS



## North Italy (Veneziano)

[Official Name] Repubblica Italiana  
[Capital] Rome  
[Official Language] Italian  
[Birthday] March 17th, 1861 (Italy unified)  
[National Flower] Rosey



Throughout this series, Italy is sometimes called Veneziano to distinguish him from his older brother Romano. Italy is a cheerful crybaby, with a love for girls and pasta. Inheriting his grandfather Romano's artistic talent, he loves to draw, sing and design clothes. Although Italy always rules on Romano, he never listens to his orders. To make matters worse for Germany, Italy also has a tendency to remodel German ears. The wild call of "vati" that escapes his mouth is an unexplained physiological phenomenon.



## Germany

[Official Name] Bundesrepublik Deutschland  
[Capital] Berlin  
[Official Language] German  
[Birthday] Unknown  
[National Flower] Blue Cornflower



A serious man who has lived a life of hardship. His hobbies include reading, making models and walking his dogs. He relies heavily on manuals and rules and can be quite inflexible as a result. A notorious clean freak, he's obsessed with recycling. All three of his dogs are as messy as he is. Although he tends to complain about Italy, he always takes good care of him.



## Japan

[Official Name] Nihon-koku  
[Capital] Tokyo  
[Official Language] Japanese  
[Birthday] February 11  
[National Flower] Cherry Blossoms, Chrysanthemum



A burdilo nation in the East, Japan is soft-spoken, serious and slightly prudish. Thanks to his quiet nature, he is often bullied by other nations. Talented in technology and the arts, he loves to watch the changing of seasons. Secluded from the rest of the world for years, Japan has developed a very unique culture and personality. Anything Japan thinks of as "normal" is probably bizarre to everyone else.



## America

[Official Name] United States of America  
[Capital] Washington D.C.  
[Official Language] English  
[Birthday] July 4, 1776  
[National Flower] Rose



America is youthful, energetic and obsessed with justice. Because of his impulsive nature, the only people who can tolerate him are England and Japan. Despite the fact that he is personal friends with space aliens, he is unable to see things like unicorns and fairies. America's hobbies include archaeology, sketching and reading movies. Since he inherited his sense of taste from England, he tends to enjoy strangely-colored snakes. Lately, America has been obsessed with strange diets and weight-loss machines.

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## England

Official Name: The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland  
Capital: London  
Official Language: English  
Birthday: Unknown  
National Flower: Rose



A former delinquent with a stubborn and cynical personality. Although he enjoys cooking, his food is notoriously awful. No stranger to the occult, England makes friends with fairies and ghosts when he isn't busy concocting diseases to thwart his enemies. His hobbies include embroidery, drinking tea and getting horribly drunk. As a side note, England is the one who draws the caricatures of the Axis Nations on the blackboard in the war room. Despite his constant bickering with France, the two seem to have an underlying respect for one another.



## France

Official Name: République française  
Capital: Paris  
Official Language: French  
Birthday: July 14  
National Flower: Iris



A pretentious and romantic man who does everything at his own pace. He is quick to remind everyone that French is the language of love. Although he claims to be a gourmet, most of the food he eats is more disgusting than sophisticated. An advocate of art and culture, France loves anything or anyone beautiful. This love for beauty does not discriminate between gender, race, age or even species. Despite his disagreements with England, France believes he would be quite tolerable if he could learn to shut his mouth. On a side note, he is so self-centered that he refuses to learn English himself.



## China

Official Name: People's Republic of China  
Capital: Beijing  
Official Language: Mandarin  
Birthday: Unknown  
National Flower: Peony



Despite his appearance, China is a very old man, perhaps even immortal. He tries to act as an older brother to the others but is never treated as one. China is good at cooking and martial arts. However, due to his old age, he's not quite as strong as he used to be. China owns villas in almost every major city in the world that abandoned the ones in Korea making cheap Chinese food available to everyone. He is very good at drawing human portraits, but when he draws animal mascots, they tend to look suspiciously familiar.



## Russia

Official Name: Rossiyskaya Federatsiya  
Capital: Moscow  
Official Language: Russian  
Birthday: December 30  
National Flower: Sunflower



A massive northern nation, Russia is both naive and childishly cruel. Despite his seemingly easy-going disposition, he is quite intimidating. His hobbies include drinking vodka, yanking water pipes out of walls and eating sweets stuffed with bizarre ingredients. He has always dreamed of living in a warm place, surrounded by sunflowers, but it seems unlikely that this dream will ever be fulfilled.

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## Spain

Official Name: Espana  
Capital: Madrid  
Official Language: Spanish  
Birthday: February 12  
National Flower: Carnation



Once known as the country of passion where the sun never sets, Spain is optimistic, bad-tempered, and a bit insensitive. He is both easily embarrassed and easily electrified. Despite his shiny disposition, he is quite frightening when angry. For whatever reason, he has an unusually big spot in his heart for Romano.



## South Italy (Romano)

Official Name: Repubblica Italiana  
Capital: Rome  
Official Language: Italian  
Birthday: March 17th, 1861 (Italy unified)  
National Flower: Daisy



Italy's ineffectual older brother. Although the two brothers do not get along especially well, they share a love for girls and pasta. Romano may act tough and aggressive towards Germany, but in truth, he is a coward, an idiot and a crybaby. Romano has spent most of his life with Spain, and as a result tends to follow Spanish customs and religious views. Persecuted by the mafia all his life, he has a jaded view of the world. Kind to girls and terrible to men, he flies into a rage if you pull on his curly hair.



## Hungary

Official Name: Magyar Köztársaság  
Capital: Budapest  
Official Language: Hungarian  
Marriage Anniversary: June 8, 1867  
National Flower: Pelargonium, Tulip



Contrary to her soft exterior, Hungary has the blood of a wild animal racing through her veins. She is a reliable friend and a fearsome enemy. Don't let her lady-like manners and beautiful singing voice fool you...she is probably the weakest character in the manga. Hungary often collaborates with Austria but has a cat-and-dog relationship with Romano.



## Austria

Official Name: Republik Österreich  
Capital: Vienna  
Official Language: German  
Birthday: October 26, 976  
National Flower: Edelweiss



A pampered man who loves music and color. He has a pompous demeanor and never shows his true feelings. Austria may seem to be all glitz and glam, but in truth, he is extremely frugal. His glasses are supposed to accent his "musical" style, but he looks pretty plain if he takes them off. The curly piece of hair on his head is styled in Marceau and changes from time to time. For example, it stood straight up at the pinnacle of his Holy Roman days but has become more limp and relaxed recently. Austria has suffered through many troublesome marriages and has an awful sense of direction.

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## Prussia

Committed to being the strongest at every point, Prussia was born to fight. Unlike Austria who continuously married other nations for his benefit, Prussia simply fought his way through life. He has a rough personality but is very loyal to his boss, "Uncle Fritz." He hates Russia, but affectionately refers to Germany as "West."

\*Now Prussia was forced:

Saint Maria Religious Order → German Teutonic Knights  
→ (a bunch of crazy stuff happened) → Prussia



## Lithuania

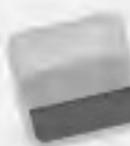
Official Name: Lietuvos Respublika

Capital: Vilnius

Official Language: Lithuanian

National Foundation Day: February 16

National Flower: Corncockle Rose



Serious and patient, Lithuania tends to over think things and give himself a stomachache. Although he is good friends with Poland, he always seems to get the short end of the stick in their relationship. Perhaps due to some trauma from his days in the Soviet Union, Lithuania enjoys walking bizarre theme parks. Currently both Lithuania and Poland are in rehab, trying to clear up their dependence on Russia.



## Poland

Official Name: Rzeczypospolita Polska

Capital: Warsaw

Official Language: Polish

Birthday: November 11

National Flower: Peony



A good friend to Lithuania, Poland's deep thoughts are hidden behind his spacy-looking exterior. He is extremely shy around strangers and warms up to people slowly, but he also tends to be both silly and quite blunt when he finally opens up to someone.



## Latvia

Official Name: Latvijas Republika

Capital: Riga

Official Language: Latvian

National Foundation Day: November 18

National Flower: Margaret



Latvia is an introverted, shy country. He has an unfortunate tendency to get sucked into things against his will. Highly dependent on Russia, he always fails at cutting dice with him no matter how many times he tries. He is currently in search of a best friend. Contrary to his appearance, he is a heavy drinker.

# METALIA AND HIS MERRY FRIENDS



## Estonia

Official Name: Eesti Vabariik  
Capital: Tallinn  
Official Language: Estonian  
Birthday: February 24  
National Bird: Swallow



The honor student of the Baltic States, Estonia often escapes hairy situations with his wit. Estonia acts like a calm and composed businessman around others but is quite laid back in his private life. Compared to the other Baltic States, he is not very reliant on Russia. He is excellent with IT and enjoys visiting strange festivals with Finland (perhaps a bit too much).



## Belarus

Official Name: Republic of Belarus  
Capital: Minsk  
Official Languages: Belarusian, Russian  
Birthday: August 25



Russia's irrevocable younger sister. Although she aggressively professes her love to Russia, her efforts are never rewarded.



## Ukraine

Official Name: Ukraine  
Capital: Kiev  
Official Language: Ukrainian  
Birthday: August 24



Estonia's older sister who can't seem to stay out of trouble, despite her best intentions. You can hear her coming by the sound of her bouncing books.



## Switzerland

Official Name: Schweizerische Eidgenossenschaft  
Capital: Bern  
Official Languages: German, French, Italian, Romanish  
Birthday: August 1  
National Flower: Edelweiss



Surrounded by mountains and constantly invaded by neighbors, Switzerland's long history of suffering has made him wary of others. He may come across as tough and composed, but he is often pushed around by Germany and Italy. He is extremely protective of Liechtenstein.

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## Liechtenstein

[Official Name] Principality of Liechtenstein  
[Capital] Vaduz  
[Official Language] German  
[Birthday] July 12  
[National Flower] Lily



Although Liechtenstein is under the protection of Switzerland, she is very mature and intelligent. She appears quite graceful and delicate, but speaks her mind freely. She is surprisingly high-tech.



## Finland

[Official Name] Republic of Finland  
[Capital] Helsinki  
[Official Languages] Finnish, Swedish  
[Birthday] December 6  
[National Flower] Lily of the Valley



Mal-mal! A warm-hearted and simple-minded young man who works hard at everything he does. He may seem soft-spoken, but once he starts talking it can be difficult to shut him up. Finland loves snows and is unusually resilient to cold. During times of emergencies he displays superhuman strength, making him quite frightening to anyone who gets on his bad side. Finland enjoys holding strange festivals where Estonia ends up winning all the prizes.



## Sweden

[Official Name] Kingdom of Sweden  
[Capital] Stockholm  
[Official Language] Swedish  
[Birthday] June 6 (National Day)  
[National Flower] German Lily of the Valley



Tall and lethargic, Sweden's quiet nature makes it difficult to figure out what he is thinking. Although he comes across as quite terrifying, in truth, he has a playful and mischievous personality. Sweden was once known as the conqueror of Northern Europe, but lately he has calmed down and focused on public welfare instead. His hobbies include carpentry, interior design and participating in debates.



## Iceland

[Official Name] Republic of Iceland  
[Capital] Reykjavik  
[Official Language] Icelandic  
[Birthday] June 17  
[National Flower] White Bryras



Cold on the outside, hot on the inside, Iceland is one of the strangest nations in Europe. Recently he caught a terrible cold and has become suspicious of Russia's unusually kind treatment. Until his fever subsides, he'll grudgingly accept Russia's care, but after that, anything is game.

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## Turkey

[Official Name] Republic of Turkey  
[Capital] Ankara  
[Official Language] Turkish  
[Birthday] October 29  
[National Flower] Tulip



A masked old guy who has a dynamic personality and speaks in an old-fashioned dialect. Turkey is unnecessarily passionate and uncomfortably friendly. However, despite his jovial personality, Turkey can be stubborn about trivial things. He loves sweets, baths and entertaining tourists. A fan of war and an enemy of Greece, he can be extremely competitive at times.



## Greece

[Official Name] Hellenic Republic  
[Capital] Athens  
[Official Language] Greek  
[Birthday] February 9  
[National Flower] Acanthus



An apologetic pervert and dreamer at heart, Greece is a man with an endlessly mysterious aura. Contrary to his carefree appearance, his mind is always running with thoughts of cats, maps and philosophy. Whenever Greece digs up his back yard, he finds coins left behind by his mother. As a result, he is unable to hold down or metropolitan buildings anywhere. This, combined with an Albanian invasion, has left him quite frustrated lately. Regardless, he tends to pick fights even in times of peace, especially with his rival, Turkey. As an added note, his national anthem is the longest in the world.



## Egypt

[Official Name] Arab Republic of Egypt  
[Capital] Cairo  
[Official Language] Arabic  
[Birthday] February 28  
[National Flower] Water Lily



A unique and carefree man, Egypt is tough, but friendly to others. Like Greece, he is unable to modernize himself because his mother's memories are buried all around the place. However, he has a great love for his family and doesn't seem to mind. Oddly enough, it is rare for others to catch Egypt talking.



## Canada

[Official Name] Canada  
[Capital] Ottawa  
[Official Language]  
[English, French]  
[Birthday] July 1  
[National Flower] Sugar Maple



A good-natured and soft-spoken man, Canada has a quiet personality. Even though he always hangs out with the polar bear Kamajira, the two don't even know each other's names. Canada doesn't like being mistaken for America, so he struggles to try to promote his individuality. He likes to stay out of trouble, but thanks to his neighbor to the south, it's unlikely that he'll ever find peace.

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## Cuba

(Official Name) Republic of Cuba  
(Capital) Havana  
(Official Language) Spanish  
(Birthday) May 20  
(National Flower) Mariposa

Vigorous, loyal and crazy about ice cream, Cuba is a true bro. He may not get along very well with America, but he and Canada are good pals.



## Taiwan

(Official Name) Republic of China  
(Capital) Taipei  
(Official Language) Mandarin  
(Birthday) October 25  
(National Flower) Plum Blossom

A strong-minded and stylish girl. She's been really stressed out lately...



## South Korea

(Official Name) Republic of Korea  
(Capital) Seoul  
(Official Language) Korean  
(Birthday) August 15  
(National Flower) Rose of Sharon

A wild and free-spirited man, South Korea's favorite hobby is claiming that he invented everything. Although he usually has a hip way of speaking, he sometimes tones it down to show respect to his elders. South Korea loves Canada, studying abroad, watching heart-wrenching dramas, the internet and video games.



## Hong Kong

(Official Name) Hong Kong  
Special Administrative  
Region of the People's Republic of China  
(Capital)  
(Official Language) Chinese, English  
(Birthday)  
(National Flower) Bauhinia Blakemore

A former nation that was recently under British rule, it is difficult to figure out what Hong Kong is thinking, and his strange accent makes him difficult to understand as well. He was once scolded by England for making too much noise with firecrackers.



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## Seychelles

[Official Name] Republic of Seychelles

[Capital] Victoria

[Official Language] Seychellois Creole

[Birthday] June 29



A paradise in the Indian Ocean, Seychelles is a strange girl who speaks a mix of French and English. Laid-back and messy, she has a nice tan and raven hair. Of course, she always complains about the high cost of living. Regardless, she is able to keep up her lavish lifestyle thanks to frequent visits from Britain and France.



## Sealand

[Official Name] Principality of Sealand

[Capital] The entire region

[Birthday] September 2



The smallest (unofficial) nation in the world, Sealand made his appearance on the global stage after Britain left him at sea and forgot about him. Sealand may be small, but he is made completely of metal and claims that he can do a powerful rocket punch as a result (although he's probably lying). He has been doing surprisingly well lately, thanks to America and Japan buying titles in his registry of nobles. Unfortunately, he is in danger of being sold off by his Prince. His hobby is playing on his high-speed internet.



## Grandpa Rome

[Official Name] Imperium Romanum

[Capital] Rome

A kind-hearted man, Rome was once the ruler of the Mediterranean Sea. He is an extremely doting grandfather and a great patron of the arts. He loves paleteags, sculptures, music, cute girls and delicious food. He is thrilled at the sight of powerful nations, be they friend or foe. He has had many loves in his life, the greatest being Greece and Egypt's mother.



# METALIA AND HIS MERRY FRIENDS



## Germany

A fierce man of few words, Germany is the grandfather of Holy Rome. Once a guard for Grandpa Rome, his hatred toward his former leader runs deep. It is believed that Germany was responsible for Rome's death, but the truth remains shrouded in darkness.



## Holy Rome

(Official Name) Heiliges Römische Reich

A descendant of Germany, Holy Rome may look strong, but he is actually quite frail. Prone to obsession, if he is interested in someone, he will chase them down for hundreds of years if necessary. His feelings for Italy were so strong, that he was happy to be by his side, even as his heart crumbled. Although Holy Rome was able to hold on for a while thanks to Austria's boss, numerous wars and hardships eventually caused him to collapse.



## Chibitalia

Grandpa Rome's favorite grandson, Italy was once known as "Chibitalia." Thanks to his charming culture and fertile lands he was the target of many nations who wanted him for their own. By the time Austria had taken him in, Chibitalia had already become the lazy glutton that we all know and love.





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